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Since our laſt arrived a Holland Mail.

From the London Gazette, Dec. 6.

Whitehall, December 5.

This Morning arrived at his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle's Office, one of his Majeſty's Meſſengers, with Diſpatches from Mr. Villettes, his Majeſty's Miniſter at the Court of the King of Sardinia, containing the following Advices.

Nice, Dec. 1. *N. S.*

THE Paſſage of the Var was attempted and executed with the greateſt Succeſs Yeſterday Morning. The whole Army marched in ſix Columns, five of Infantry to the Right, and one of Cavalry to the Left. The Body that was moſt to the Right, was deſigned to be the Van-Guard, and by paſſing on the uppermoſt Part of the River to take the few Poſts of the Enemy in their Flank; upon which, and their making a Signal, the other Columns were to advance, and march thro' the Water, each of them led by Peaſants, who are acquainted with the fording Places.

General Brown ſeeing broad Day-light coming on apace, before the Body on the Right had paſſed, ordered the Signal to be given from the Wing on the Left, and began to fire very briskly with his Cannon, which was admirably poſted on the Village of St. Laurent, and a ſtrong Redoute the French had at the Entrance of it.

Upon this, the Croatians and Lycanians, with 12 Companies of Grenadiers, in the Column, commanded by General Petazzi, entered the River, and bravely waded through it, though very deep and rapid in ſome Places; in which they were ſeconded by the Huſſars and the Cavalry.

Upon their Approach to the other Side, the French in the Redoute fired ſome hundred Shot; but upon ſeeing the Huſſars run up the Bank on their Right, to take them in the Rear, they left the Redoute, and fled with the utmoſt Precipitation.

Our Grenadiers puſhed forward, and not only ſecured the Redoute, but likewiſe got on the Mountain, where they took Poſt, while the Croatians, Huſſars, and other Irregulars, purſued the Enemy on the Road to Cagne. Upon General Brown's getting over, he diſpoſed of the Head of his Cavalry ſo as to maintain the Ground he had gained, and then haſtned to the Right, in his Way to which he heard General Novati had paſſed and ſecured all the Poſts on that Side, and that the other Columns were paſſing in good Order, and with little or no Oppoſition, the Fire being but very inconſiderable. We had about 30 or 40 Men drowned in the Paſſage; and it is not thought that the Number of the Killed and Wounded can amount to ſo many.

Nice, Dec. 2. By our Advices this Night from the other Side of the Var, our Army has ſecured Vence, and was preparing to march to Graſſe. The Country hitherto is totally without Inhabitants; and the French burn and deſtroy all the Subſiſtence they can as they retire.

General Brown propoſes to march forward as ſoon as the Bridges are finiſhed for the Paſſage of the Artillery, &c. which will be perfected with the utmoſt Expedition.

His Sardinian Majeſty, who had the firſt Appearance of the Small Pox on the 22d paſt in the Morning, is now, God be thanked, in as good a Way as can be wiſhed, the Symptoms continuing to be very favourable, and the Small Pox beginning already to turn.

On Monday the 28th paſt, an Officer arrived here, diſpatched from the Count la Mante, who commanded the Blockade of Tortona, with an Account, That all the Conditions relating to the Surrender of that Place into his Hands, having been finally adjuſted and ſettled with the Spaniſh Goverour, he had retaken Poſſeſſion of it in the Name of the King of Sardinia.

Hague, Dec. 9, According to Letters from Milan of the 22d paſt, Prince Charles of Lorrain was expected there ſoon in Quality of Vicar-General of Lombardy. The French have lately detached 15 Battalions into Provence from the three Biſhopricks. The Letters from Bruſſels of Yeſterday mention, their expecting every Day the Arrival of Marſhal Saxe there from Paris, when it was ſuppoſed that ſomething of Conſequence would be undertaken.

Hague, Dec. 13. We juſt now hear, that his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland landed at Helvoetſluys this Day about Noon, and we are in Expectation of his Royal Highneſs's Arrival here every Moment.

Count Maurice of Naſſau arrived here this Afternoon from England; and Marſhal Bathiani is expected Tomorrow from Aix de la Chapelle.

From Wye's Letter, London, Dec. 6.

Yeſterday the Commons read a firſt Time, and ordered a ſecond Reading of the Bill for granting an Aid to his Majeſty of 4 s. in the Pound upon Lands, Tenements, &c. for the Service of the Year 1747.—— In a grand Committee on the Supply, came to ſeveral Reſolutions relating to the Army; order'd the Report on Monday, and the Committee to ſit upon that Day, to which Time the Houſe adjourned.

This Evening the Warrant came to the Sheriffs for Execution of Mr. Ratcliff, who is to be beheaded on Monday next on Tower-hill.

From the London Evening Poſt, Dec. 6.

Paris, Dec. 5. By the Meaſures which are taking, the King will have 80,000 Men more in the Field next Year than he had the laſt. The Pretender's eldeſt Son gave on St. Andrew's Day, the Tutelar Saint of Scotland, an Entertainment to ſixty Scots Lords and Officers. All the

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Letters from Provence aſſure, that the Allies have at length paſſed the Var, but that they have left their Bridge upon that River, in order to repaſs, ſhould there be Occaſion. Advices from Flanders ſay, That Magazines of Proviſions and Forage are forming at Mons and Namur, from whence 'tis preſumed, that the Court deſigns to execute its Project againſt Maeſtricht.

Paris, Dec. 9. M. de la Jonquire, who commands the late Duke d'Anville's Squadron, 'tis ſaid, is arrived at Corunna, from whence he is ſhortly expected at Breſt, with the ſhattered Remains of that unfortunate Squadron. Cardinal Tencin may poſſibly ſoon return to his Biſhoprick, for having refuſed the late Dauphineſs a Benefice for an Abbe, to whom his Majeſty granted it, upon the Complaints of that Princeſs.

Copenhagen, Dec. 2. Mr. Titley, the Britiſh Miniſter, has made Overtures to our Miniſtry about taking a Body of 12,000 Men into the Pay of Great Britain, in order to reinforce the Army of the Allies next Campaign on the Side of Flanders. The Subſidy offered for this Corps is very large; but we don't yet know what Anſwer our Court has given Mr. Titley.

LONDON, *Dec.* 6

Some private Letters from Paris ſay, that Marſhal Belleiſle, with great Generoſity, and without any Application to him for that Purpoſe, interpoſed on the Behalf of the Earl of Morton; and that in Compliance with his Sollicitations, the Counteſs was permitted to viſit him three times a Week, and his Valet de Chambre is allowed to attend him in the Baſtile; which laſt is looked upon there, as a very extraordinary Indulgence. The Reaſon of Marſhal Belleiſle's intereſting himſelf ſo much on his Behalf, is the Remembrance of the Civilities ſhewn him by the gallant Colonel Robert Douglas, the Earl's Brother, who attended him at, and brought him over from Hanover, who was afterwards unfortunately killed at the Battle of Fontenoy.

By Letters from Paris, December 8, N. S. we hear, that the Right Hon. The Earl of Moreton was on the 6th remov'd from the Baſtile to his own Houſe, where he remains a Priſoner upon Parole.

We learn from the Hague, that the People in Holland teſtify the higheſt Satisfaction at the Hopes of ſeeing his Royal Highneſs the Duke; and there is good Authority for ſaying, That the Allies will have an Army of 130,000 Men in the Field by the Beginning of the Month of March.

In the *laſt great War*, which now appears to us, by the *Succeſs* that we know attended it, to have been carried on with the *utmoſt Unanimity*, Hiſtory will inform us that the *States General* were ſometimes backward to concur in *all the Meaſures* propoſed from hence, and have even been known upon the Point of taking *contrary Reſolutions:* But ſuch was the Weight and Influence of our *Engliſh* Hero, the *Duke of* MARLBOROUGH, that when he has opportunely gone and found them in this *wavering Situation*, his *Preſence* in their Aſſembly, and his *Opinion* deliver'd in *French*, which he ſpoke but indifferently, has *borne down all Oppoſition* in their Councils, and brought them fully into *that Syſtem*, which, in a few Years, *broke the Power of France.*

Orders are iſſued out for taking off the Scarlet Cloth on the Right-hand Side of the Scaffolding in Weſtminſter-Hall, which is to be covered with Green for the Reception of the Managers that are to be appointed by the Hon. The Houſe of Commons, on the Impeachment of the Right Hon. Simon Lord Lovat.

But we are inform'd his Lordſhip is now dangerouſly ill in the Tower.

A Report is now current, that Mr. Stuart, late Provoſt of Edinburgh, will have Leave given him to go to Bath for the Recovery of his Health, upon his giving ſufficient Bail for his Appearance when required.

It is ſaid that a Duty of Six-pence will be laid on all Play-houſe Tickets, and that no Perſon will be admitted to go to any Part of a Theatre without one, and they are likewiſe to be ſtamped: And it is likewiſe ſaid that a particular Duty will be laid on all Places of publick Reſort, ſuch as Ranelagh, Vauxhall, Ruckholt, Cuper's Gardens, Concerts, &c.

The Princeſs Louiſa Man of War, and Weazel Snow of War, have drove a Privateer on Shore in the Bay of Biſcay, of twenty-ſix Guns.

The Reſtoration, Manby, from the Baltick arrived at Hull, was taken in her Paſſage by a French Privateer, but ranſomed for 750 l.

The Walpole, Cole, from Newfoundland for Portugal, is retaken from a French Privateer, by his Majeſty's Ship the Syren, and carried into Lisbon.

A Cettee from Martinico for Marſeilles, and a Tartan from the Canaries for Cadiz, are both taken by his Majeſty's Ship the Dunkirk, and carried into Gibraltar.

Bank Stock 126 3 8ths. India Stock no Price. South Sea Stock no Price.

EDINBURGH, *December* 11.

Yeſterday 8 Priſoners, all private Men, were tranſported from the Caſtle to the City Jail.

This Morning a Commiſſion came down from London, nominating and appointing Mr. James Philip Advocate, to be Judge of the High Court of Admiralty of Scotland, in room of Mr. James Graham of Airth, deceaſed.

From the GLASGOW JOURNAL, Dec. 8.

By late Advices from Virginia we hear, that the Adventure, Nancy, and another Ship belonging to this Place, are ſafe arrived at Virginia, as are the May and Gordon's Prize at Greenock.

One hundred Cheſts of Arms have been brought here within theſe few Days from the Shire of Argyle, and 40 more from the ſame Place lodged in the Caſtle of Dumbarton.

We hear from Elgin of Murray, that Sir William Fleming of Farm, an Officer in Handaſyd's Regiment, died there on the 23d ult.

Greenock, Dec. 6. Arrived the Frolick, Lambart, from Dublin in Ballaſt, and the Annabella, Hamilton, from Virginia with Tobacco.

Sailed the Mary and Jean, How, for Saltcoats in Ballaſt, and ſundry Boats with Salt and Tree for Air.

Dunkeld, Sept. 2. 1746.

The Committee appointed to viſit the Grammar-School of Dunkeld reported to the Presbytery as follows, viz. They were well ſatisfied with ſuch as were reading Engliſh, as they read accurately and diſtinctly; as alſo with the ſuperior Claſſes, who diſcovered all of them an agreeable Knowledge of the Rudiments and Grammar of

he Latin Tongue: But the first Class gave very great Satisfaction, by their ready Explication of several of the Classick Authors both in Prose and Verse, and particularly by the extempore Explication of Buchanan's History and Horace in Places which they had not formerly read; and by the Translation of English into Latin, all in congruous L t n Words and good Grammar. Likewise that said Class had made considerable Progress in reading of the Greek for the short Time they had been learning it; and discovered a good Understanding of the Principles of Geography, and Use of the terrestrial Globe.

All who are learning to write discovered a good Proficiency, and some wrote a very good Hand.

Such as are learning Arithmetick and Book-keeping, Fractions vulgar and decimal, appeared to be well acquainted with such Rules as they had passed.

Upon the whole, that they observed the Master of the School to use a good Method, and give very agreeable Application, and to have suitable Success.

Whereupon the Presbytery ordered Thanks to be given from their Chair to the Schoolmaster for his Care and Diligence, and to acquaint him that he may expect all Encouragement from them. Extracted by

James Scot Cl. Pres.

Kirkwall, October 30. 1746.

This being the Birth-day of his Majesty King George, the same was solemnized with the greatest Splendor and Unanimity. At 12 o'clock Forenoon, the Soldiers now here under the Command of Capt. Benjamin Moodie of Melsetter, performed some very exact and regular Fires on the Parade, which were answered by a Discharge of the *Great Guns* of the Town, whence the Magistrates, Officers and Gentlemen went to the Town-house, where the Healths of his Majesty, the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke of Cumberland, and the rest of the Royal Family, were publickly drank: They then adjourned till Evening, when they again met in the Town-house, which with all Houses of any Note in Town were most beautifully illuminated, the Words *God bless his Majesty King George* being painted in the Windows: There the former, with many other loyal Healths, were drank; such as Success to his Majesty's Arms in general, and in particular, to the Army of the Allies, to the Expeditions under Generals Folliot and St. Clair, the Healths of the Duke of Argyle, the Earls of Stair and Chesterfield, Lords President and Justice-Clerk, and many other Noblemen and Officers of Distinction, accompanied with the Discharge of the Fire-arms by regular Platoons. The whole Evening was spent in ringing of Bells, Bonfires, and all other possible Demonstrations of Joy. But what is remarkable, is, that the same Regard to the illustrious Supporter of our Liberties, and a Sense of the Happiness we enjoy under him, and of our late Deliverance by the Success of our glorious young Hero the Duke, seemed equally to influence the People of low Life both in Town and Country, who were all assembled in their little illuminated Cells passing the Night, and testifying their Joy in the best manner their Conditions could afford, the Country People having Bonfires erected on the most conspicuous Eminencies near their Houses. And the Anniversary of the 5th November was, tho' not so publickly, as decently observed by People of Condition, especially by the Magistrates and Military Officers, who solemnized it suitably.

☽ This Day, the 10th Day of the Moon, it is high Water at Leith, Forenoon, at 9 o'clock, 54 M. Afternoon, at 10, 18 M. Friday, Forenoon, at 10, 42 M. Afternoon, at 11, 6 M. Saturday, Forenoon, at 11, 30 M. Afternoon, at 11, 54 M.

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¶¶ The Creditors of the deceast David Grant of BONHARD, who have not already produced their Interests, in the Process of Improbation raised against them before the Court of Session, at the Instance of Alexander Macduff Purchaser of the Estate of Bonhard, are desired to produce the same in the Hands of Thomas Bruce one of the Depute clerks of Session, and Clerk to the said Process, on or before the 10th Day of January next, otherwise the Decreet of Certification pronounced in July last will be then extracted, and their Debts thereby cut off.

¶¶ That a BOY called *JAMES THOMSON*, about 8 Years old, pretty tall, with short brown Hair, brownish colour'd Coat, blue Damask Vest and red Breeches, a Wrat upon one of his Eye lids, and the Mark of a Cut on his Brow, having strayed from Edinburgh, as advertised in a late *Mercury*, was upon Monday last seen in Arleston in the Merse, and is supposed to be still wandering in that Country: Any Person who will act so charitable a Part, as detain the said Boy, and send him to his Father *JOHN THOMSON* Indweller in Canongate-head, Edinburgh, or write to said John Thomson, who will send for him, shall have all Charges defrayed.

To be exposed to Sale by publick voluntary Roup, at John's Coffeehouse in Edinburgh upon Wednesday the 8th Day of January next, betwixt the Hours of 4 and 5 Afternoon,

The Lands of WOODMILN, lying within the Parish of Abdie and Sheriffdom of Fife, belonging to Patrick Davidson, holding Feu of the Crown, paying yearly of Rent 726 l. 9 s. 5 d. Scots Money, 1 Boll 2 Firlots of Wheat, 81 Bolls 1 Firlot of Bear, 16 Bolls of Oat meal, 139 Bolls of Oats, 4 Pounds of Butter, 8 Pounds of Cheese, 12 Capons, 188 Poultry, and 150 Loads of Coals; out of which is to be deduced 39 l. 11 s. 8 d. Scots Money of Feu duty payable to the Crown, 18 l. 16 s. 4 d. Scots Money, 8 Bolls of Bear and 12 Bolls of Oats of Stipend payable to the Minister of Abdie, and 6 l. of Salary payable to the Schoolmaster. —— There is a good Mansion-house upon the said Lands, a great Quantity of young Timber, and Ground inclosed near the

House; and the Proprietor has Right to vote in the Election for a Member of Parliament. The Rental, Progress of Writs and Articles of Roup are to be seen in the Hands of David Anderson Writer to the Signet.

To be exposed to Sale on Monday the 22d current, in the Laigh Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 5 in the Afternoon,

The Lands and Barony of BELSTOUN, belonging to Daniel Carmichael of Mauldsly, lying within the Parish of Carluke and Sheriffdom of Lanerk, holding Taxtward of the Crown, and pays of yearly Rent 100l. 16 s. 1 d. $\frac{3}{4}$ of a Penny, Sterling Money; 132 Hens, 168 Load of Peats, 12 long Carriages, 10 short Carriages, and 39 Days shearing, besides a fine Lime-Quarry, which is set this Year at 6 Guineas, and may be set at a greater Rent in time coming. There is likewise in these Lands an inexhaustible Moss, and the Lands are very improveable. Any who has a Mind to purchase, may commune with William Fraser junior Writer to the Signet, at his House in Don's Close, in whose Hands the Conditions of Sale and Progress of Writs are to be seen.

Edinburgh, 8th December 1746.

Run away from the Royal Infirmary some Days ago,

A NEGRO MAN, about 22 Years of Age, pretty tall, newly recovered of the Small pox, marked on the Shoulder G. M. Whoever shall apprehend him, or give Information so as he may be got back, shall receive a Guinea of Reward, and all reasonable Charges paid, upon Application to the Publishers of this Paper.

N. B. If he be found in any Persons Custody after this publick Notification, and not delivered up, they'll be prosecute according to Law.

By ADJOURNMENT.

To be exposed to Sale, by way of publick voluntary Roup, upon Monday the 22d Day of December inst. between the Hours of 3 and 4 Afternoon, within the Laigh Coffeehouse, Edinburgh,

The Lands of TODSHAUGH, holding of the Crown and lying within the Parish of Kirklisten and Shire of Linlithgow, consisting of about 57 Acres of Ground pleasantly situated on the Water of Almond; and on which Lands there is a very convenient new finished House, with a good Garden and Dovecote. The Rental, Progress of Writs and Conditions of Roup, to be seen in the Hands of Robert Dalrymple Writer to the Signet, and Charles Brown Writer in Edinburgh.

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By the TRUSTEES for the Creditors of *MERCHISTON, LETHEM* and *BLAIR,*

THE Trustees having now ordered a Dividend of the Money lodged in the Bank of Scotland, the Creditors are to receive their Shares thereof at the Bank-Office immediately after the 15th current; and as the Money bears no Interest after that Day, they are desired in the mean time to prepare their Titles.

Such as cannot come to the Bank to receive their Shares, are to grant a Commission to some Person here to receive for them, of which Commission they will be furnished with a Form from James Halyburton Writer to the Signet upon Demand.

That every Creditor, upon receiving his Share, is by himself or his Commissioner to sign a Deed ratifying the Sales, &c. of which Deed there are several Copies wrote out upon stampt Paper, and to be lodged at the Bank ready for signing; and there is an exact Copy thereof in the Hands of the said James Halyburton, to be shown to the Creditors upon Demand.

That those who have already received their Shares of the Price of Merchiston from the Merchant-Company, and have delivered up their Papers, have nothing to do, but, by themselves or their Factors, to go to the Bank and receive their Shares of this Dividend, upon subscribing the Deeds above-mentioned. But such as are Assignies, Heirs or Executors since that Time, or have hitherto neglected to receive their Shares of the Price of Merchiston, or who are Creditors of Lethem and Blair, and have not Merchiston bound, must produce their Grounds of Debt, Diligences and Conveyances, and other Titles, and deliver up the same to the said James Halyburton.

That such of the Creditors as have not deponed on the Verity of their Debts, must depone before they can receive Payment of their Shares; and must deliver in their Affidavits to the said James Halyburton, which Affidavits may be taken before any of the Arbiters, or a Justice of the Peace.

And for preventing Confusion at the Bank, and Disappointment to the Creditors, they are desired to call for their Shares in the following alphabetical Order, viz. Those of the Creditors whose Sirnames or Sirname of the original Creditors from whom they have Right, begin with the Letters A and B, are to be paid on Tuesday the 16th current, C on the 17th, D and E on the 18th, F and G on the 19th, H on the 20th, I, K and L on the 22d, M on the 23d, N, O, P and R on the 24th, S and T on the 26th, and W, Y on the 27th, all at the Bank Hours, where Attendance will be given: And until the said ten Days are elapsed, there will be no Creditor paid but in the alphabetical Order above-mentioned; so that those who neglect to call on their proper Days, must forbear till the said ten Days are elapsed. And in the mean time all the Creditors may see the Scheme of Division in the Hands of the said James Halyburton at any time after the said 15th current.

Nota. All the Assignations to Creditors, Assignies, and their Cedents, and also the Assignations by Creditors to the Trustees, and their Grounds of Debt not already registrate, and all the Factories, must be registrated in the Books of Session, also the Grounds of Debt and other Papers borrowed up by any of the Creditors, must be returned immediately.

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